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TO AMEMBASSY LONDON
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AMEMBASSY BEIRUT
AMEMBASSY ROME

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EAIR, NEA, EUR, IO

SUBJECT: ALLEGED HASHISH SMUGGLING

REF: LONDON 03388 (NOTAL)

, REFERENCE MSG. REPEATED FOR AMEMBASSY NICOSIA AND
BEIRUT AS FOLLOWS: "DEA LONDON REQUESTS ANY INFO
AVAILABLE ON OPERATIONS OF DC-7, N7597 AND DC-6B, N-122A
UNDER CONTROL OF AMERICAN WORLD AIRWAYS. BOTH AIRCRAFT
HAVE BEEN UNDER LEASE TO GEORGE SALIM MAJLATON, PRESIDENT
OF AMERICAN WORLD AIRWAYS. IT IS ALLEGED THAT AIRCRAFT ARE
USED FOR NARCOTIC SMUGGLING TO U.S. AND W. EUROPE USING
CHAKIB DAOU IMPORT/EXPORT CO. HEADQUARTERED IN BEIRUT AS
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COVER. FURTHER DETAILS ARE IN AMEMBASSY ANKARA 1444
OBTAINABLE FROM DEA HEADQUARTERS, WASH., D.C.

THE PARTICULAR AIRPORTS AND DETAILS OF OPERATIONS IN THE
U.S. ARE OF SIGNIFICANT IMPORTANCE."

2. RE PARA 1, REF FAA AIRCRAFT REGISTRY RECORDS INDICATE

THAT:

(A) N7597 SERIAL NUMBER 45233 IS A DC-7BF AIRCRAFT REGISTERED IN NAME OF CALIFORNIA AIRMOTIVE CORP., 11101 LACIENEGA BLVD., LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA. THIS COMPANY REPORTEDLY NOW OUT OF BUSINESS BUT UNCONFIRMED INFORMATION INDICATES AIRCRAFT SOLD IN 1974 TO AIR INTER-AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL OF MIAMI, FLORIDA, REPRESENTED BY MIKE ACOSTA, BUT NO CHANGE MADE IN U.S. REGISTRY. THIS AIRCRAFT WAS THEN REPORTEDLY LEASED BY AIR INTER-AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL TO AMERICAN WORLD AIRWAYS, BEIRUT, WHOSE OFFICIALS WERE LISTED AS: PRESIDENT - GEORGE SALIM MAJLATON: VICE PRESIDENT - CHAKIB M. DAOU (DAOU AND CO. IMPORT/EXPORT ARDNAN ST., BEIRUT); GEN MGR. - GEORGE HALLAK. MAJLATON IS BROTHER-IN-LAW OF HALLAK. THEREAFTER, AMERICAN WORLD AIRWAYS WAS APPARENTLY ABSORBED BY CALEDONIAN AIRLINES WITH BEIRUT ADDRESS OF NAHAS BUILDING. PRESIDENT IS GEORGE HALLAK.

AMERICAN EMBASSY ROME 3197 REPORTS THAT N7592 SERIAL NUMBER 45233 WAS ABANDONED AT BEIRUT AIRPORT IN 1974 AND NOT REMOVED TO DATE.

(B) N122A SERIAL NUMBER 45327 IS DC-6B AIRCRAFT REGISTERED IN NAME OF NEW WORLD AIR CHARTER, INC., 80 PARK AVE., NEW YORK, AND LEASED TO CYPRUS AIRWAYS LTD., ON APRIL 1, 1976, FOR A TWO YEAR PERIOD. AMEMBASSY ROME MESSAGE 3197 REPORTS THIS AIRCRAFT SEEN AT LARNACA UNCLASSIFIED

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AIRPORT IN SEPTEMBER 1976, HAD BEEN CANNIBALIZED AND UNLIKELY TO BE OPERATIONAL.

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